



SECTION THREE
VILLAGE OF
CHEVY CHASE

NEWS & VIEWS

JUNE 2017

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

Bulk Trash Pick-Up, Curbside
Wine Tasting Sign-Up Deadline

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

Annual Wine Tasting Event
7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Council meeting
CCUMC Room 107, 7:45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

Bulk Trash Pick-up, Curbside

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

Council Meeting
CCUMC Room 107, 7:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 13

Welcome New Neighbors BBQ
Gazebo Park, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION DRAWS RECORD NUMBER OF VOTERS

It's been a long time since Section 3 has had a contested election. With the departure of Vice Chair **Natasha Saifee** after 14 years of service, the roster of candidates presented to the community included two incumbents,



Chairman **Bill Brownlee** and Buildings and Roads representative **Carolyn Greis** along with two new candidates, **Brian Afnan** and **Susan Manning**. We had a record number of voters—more than 90. The results in alphabetical order: Brian Afnan 25, Bill Brownlee, 92, Carolyn Greis 85 and Susan Manning 88. The new officers were sworn in at the conclusion of the meeting and as is the custom, they determined who would serve what function on the Council. All the incumbents retained their present responsibilities and Susan Manning agreed to serve as Vice Chair.

Council Chair Bill Brownlee began by recounting the year's activities. He noted that the blizzard of 2016 netted us reimbursement from the Maryland Emergency Management Agency of \$12,000 for the extraordinary expenses incurred for snow removal in the prior fiscal year. He then went on to note that the Council had been keeping close track on and working to influence decisions which affect Section 3 and its residents in a wide range of activities at the State and County level: the Chevy Chase Lake Master Plan, the Bethesda Master Plan, improvements to the safety of the intersection of Brookville Road and Taylor Street, testifying regarding the potential impact the proposed Short Term Rental County legislation could have on our community and finally, continuing efforts to get the State Comptroller's office to provide us with a listing of who they think are the residents of Section 3 so that we can make certain we are properly receiving all the local income tax revenues which should go to us.

As a 57-year resident of Section 3, Chairman Brownlee noted that over the years he's seen many changes, the most dramatic one perhaps, the singular

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**In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and our desire to have our meetings open to everyone in our community, Council meetings are held at the Chevy Chase United Methodist Church which has handicapped elevator access via the parking lot entrance. We are grateful to the Church for their generosity in allowing us to use their facility each month.*

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unity of our community, fostered in part by the many activities we sponsor to bring people together. He turned the program over to Vice Chair Natasha Saifee to discuss the many social activities during the year. After 14 years on the Council, Ms. Saifee received applause from both the Council and those who attended the meeting for her years of service. The Council presented her with a bouquet of flowers as a token of their thanks.

Ms. Saifee outlined some of the many programs Section 3 sponsors, including the recent and very successful Food Truck night the Sunday prior to the Annual Meeting as well as the same event in October. She urged folks to attend the house tour on the 21st (see story this issue) and she recounted some of the many other activities sponsored by Section 3: The Everybody's Irish party, the Easter Egg Hunt and Luncheon, the Annual Wine Tasting, the Welcome New Neighbors BBQ, the Party-in-the-Park, the Halloween Parade and Pizza Party and our holiday events. She noted that all these activities would not be a success without the help of our many volunteers then turned the program over to **Secretary Melissa Brown** to highlight them.

Ms. Brown began by noting how many people were involved in building a sense of community in Section 3. It begins with a welcome by **Ellen McKenney**, who brings wine and flowers to all new residents, meets with them if possible and hands over directories, lots of information on the community and the larger community of Bethesda-Chevy Chase. We are also grateful to **Jan Augustine**, whose work on our newly improved website provides information for soon-to-be residents as well as those who have lived here for many years; the **Barry** family who generously allow us to use their front porch and lawn for virtually every Section 3 social event; **Tom and Carolyn Wilson** who donate their time with others to decorate the park for the holidays and Tom who is our town dog maven (found lost a dog? Check with Tom he'll likely know who owns it).

She made note of our Section 3 "characters" for our children, **Jeremy Streatfield** who led the Halloween parade and **Jimmy Dodson** who was this year's Easter Bunny. She thanked **Kate Sheckells** who organized all the kids who hid Easter eggs this year, **Jen Roberti** who every year does an amazing job of getting cakes for the annual cake walk at the Party-in-the-Park, those who opened their homes for the house tour and finally, Carolyn Greis who devotes many, many hours to helping residents and their architects and contractors understand our ordinances. She then turned the program over to Ms. Greis to discuss the many build-ings and roads activities had taken place in the past year.

It was and is a very busy building time for our community this year. For the first time ever, Ms. Greis noted, we had three complete tear-downs and one whole house renovation project all

taking place at the same time. In all, Ms. Greis reported that she issued 27 building permits as compared to 22 the prior year. There were permits issued for 6 fences, 2 gates, 1 shed, 3 driveways (replacement, reconfiguration or new), 1 garage, 5 patios or decks, 9 additions, 4 demolition permits, 3 new home construction permits, 1 temporary storage unit, 8 dumpster permits, no sump pump or ac unit permits, 1 temporary ice rink and 6 variances to residents or builders. That's a lot of work!

The Council approved a variance request by the **Glynn** family at 6801 Florida Street to rebuild their existing garage and its foundation in the same location, six feet into the side setback and eight feet into the rear setback, for structural reasons so as to meet current building codes.

In addition to all the current home building/renovations, Bradley Lane residents received new gas line service and the first and last blocks of Raymond Street in Section 3 were milled down and repaved. The residents of Delaware Street between Shepherd and Taylor also had the street repaved, new curb and gutters and new wider driveway aprons installed. It's been a busy year! The road work was all part of last year's budget and to talk about the upcoming fiscal year budget Ms. Greis turned the program over to **Treasurer Mike Dietrich**.

Dietrich went over the highlights of the budget, designed to reflect next year's Council priorities:

1. To mill and repave Spring Street from Delaware Street to Georgia Street, replacing curb and gutter when necessary and redoing all driveway aprons to make them wider at the mouth for easier turning into our narrow streets.
2. To mill and repave Georgia Street from Bradley Lane to Raymond Street, again, re-doing all driveway aprons to make them wider at the mouth for easier turning.
3. Revisiting with Pepco the idea of purchasing the lights from them and repositioning some to create a safer, more even light throughout the community.
4. Continue with community-wide social activities that bring us together as a community.

He went on to explain some of the details of the budget (published in the May newsletter) and the Council took three votes. One vote retained the personal property tax (for sole proprietorships and businesses within Section 3) to 5 cents per \$100 assessed valuation and real property tax retained at two cents for \$100 assessed valuation. Finally, by ordinance as is required by law, the Council adopted the FY17-18 budget.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. and new Council members voted on who would serve in what capacity for the community (see above).



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Congrats to **Susan Toffler** on her recent marriage on May 20 to **Luiz de Toledo** in Mexico. Susan and Luiz will be making their home on Georgia Street.

Scott Burns and Kristin Hespos Burns are happy to welcome Charles (Charlie) Ryar Burns who joined them May 21 at 21 inches and 7 lbs 10 oz. Charlie and Mom are doing great.

Welcome to **Allyson and Jay Hauck** who have moved in at 6815 Georgia Street with their four girls **Caroline**, age 12, **Charlotte**, age 10, **Madeline**, age 8 and **Mary Elizabeth**, age 5 all the way from Martins Additions. Happily, they know the neighborhood and many of the neighbors already and they are settling in nicely. The girls go to Blessed Sacrament.

Congratulations to our Police patrolman **Drew Richardson** who has now joined the canine division of the County's Police Department along with our other patrolman, Chris Jordan. Drew and his wife Katie welcomed their third child, Iris Graham Richardson on May 11. Next time you see Drew patrolling our streets, take a moment to say hello and meet his dog Axel. **Chris Jordan** and his dog Harper have met a number of Section 3 residents already but if you see Chris, make sure to say hello. Both men have been helpful in making certain that construction trucks aren't blocking intersections and have been monitoring stop sign compliance as well as traffic at Brookville Road and Taylor Street. Needless to say, both men urge you to lock your cars at night and keep bicycles locked up as well.

COLLEGE NEWS?

Let us know where your child is going next year and we'll share that info with the neighbors. Just contact the Village Manager and let her know!

CHEVY CHASE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LAUNCHES SEARCH FOR ORIGINAL SEARS KIT HOUSES

The Chevy Chase Historical Society is surveying all the Chevy Chase communities in search of the well-built, pre-cut houses offered by companies like Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward and Alladin houses in the first half of the 20th century when many of the houses in Section 3 were built. The 1920s and 1930s saw the largest number of these "kit" houses built throughout the country.

Beginning in the early 1900s, Americans could mail order a home from catalogues filled with hundreds of house styles. The parts were delivered, in stages, to the nearest railroad station.

If you think you have what was once a "kit house" and are willing to be contacted by the Chevy Chase Historical Society or their kit house scholar, email a house photo with your contact information to kithouses@chevychasehistory.org by June 30. Once we get the survey results, we'll highlight the findings in News & Views and you'll get some insights into your home and its history.

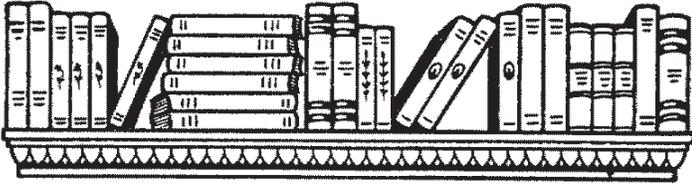
HOUSE TOUR BRINGS LOTS OF DONATIONS

Many thanks to all of you who donated soaps, lotions and shampoos for the Annual Section 3 House Tour. The donations filled an entire commercial laundry bin at the new headquarters of Shepherd's Table on Georgia Avenue right next to the new fire station in Silver Spring. They are much appreciated. Thanks too to the **Apelbaum** family, the **Schnure** family, **Nick Alten** of BetterSpace and **Scott Churilla** of Churilla Homes.

Neighbors had a chance to experience the year round "garden room" at the Apelbaums, the new addition family room at the Schnure household, four levels of renovated Dutch Colonial by BetterSpace, Inc. and the still in progress new home by Scott Churilla. Lots of good ideas and interesting spaces.

WINE TASTING EVENT SIGN-UP ENDS JUNE 7

Sign up via email with the Village Manager and get your \$\$ in by June 7th. The event is June 10 and you'll taste nine different wines: 3 white, 3 red, 3 sparkling. The cost per person is \$16 made payable to Section 3 of the Village of Chevy Chase. Hosts this year are **Carole and Nick Brand, Kirsty Little, and Scott and Melissa Lesmes**. Join us, it's tons of fun!



CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY JUNE EVENTS

The Chevy Chase Library offers a wide range of activities for area residents. Programs require no registration unless noted. Most are generously sponsored by Friends of the Library.

LEGO PLAY. Drop in for an open session of Lego play on Fridays between 3:30 and 5:00 pm. Elementary age with an adult. We will provide the Legos and space, you provide the imagination.

ENGLISH CONVERSATION GROUP AT CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY. Every Tuesday and Saturday from 10:30 am to 12 noon. Open to all non-native English speakers interested in practicing English in a friendly, informal and fun setting. Join us! For more information, please call (240) 773-9590.

FOREIGN FILM SHOWINGS. Saturday, June 03, 2:00 pm. *Life Above All* (2010) South African drama directed by Oliver Schmitz. Just after the death of her newly born sister, 12-year-old Chanda learns of a rumor that spreads like wildfire through her dust-ridden village near Johannesburg. It destroys her family and forces her mother to flee. Sensing that the gossip stems from prejudice and superstition, Chanda leaves home and school in search of her mother and the truth.

READ TO A DOG: PAGES WITH P.A.L.S (PEOPLE ANIMALS LOVE). Monday, June 05, 4:30 pm. Chevy Chase Library is partnering with P.A.L. for a read to a dog program the first Monday of every month! Young readers will be able to share stories with a furry friend. Dogs will never judge or correct them, which allows them to really improve their reading skills. Drop in.

TODDLER TIME. Please join us Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am for fun learning activities. We'll read, sing, dance, explore and learn finger plays just right for two and three year olds.

TEENS AFTER HOURS: MINI GOLF. Friday, June 09, 7:00 pm. Come play a round of put-put after hours at the Chevy Chase Library! We will set up a course in the stacks where you can play with your friends. There will be other games and snacks as well. This program is for middle and high school students ONLY. Doors will be locked during the program.

SUMMER READ AND LEARN KICK-OFF. Saturday, June 10, 10:30 am. Are you ready to Build a Better World during the MCPL Summer Read and Learn Program? Join us for an open house to kick off the summer and sign up for summer reading and more.

NON-FICTION BOOK GROUP. Wednesday, June 14, 2:00

pm. Join the group to discuss *Shadow of the Silk Road* by Colin Thubron. Copies of the book available one month before the session at the Information Desk.

READY TO SERVE - STORYTELLING BY ELLOUISE SCHOETTLER. June 14, 6:30 pm. Join us as Ellouise Schoettler, a national known storyteller and spoken-word artist, tells the forgotten story of WWI Nurses from Johns Hopkins Hospital who served in France. When called they answered "I am ready to serve." Hear the story created from their letters exactly 100 years after these brave nurses set sail for France. A resident of Chevy Chase, MD, Schoettler is a North Carolina native and 24 year professional storytelling veteran. She calls herself an "old-time Southern teller," just like the family storytellers she grew up listening to on the front porch and around the dinner table.

JEFFERSON CAFÉ. Friday, June 16, 10:30 am. This month's article is *Populism on the March* by Fareed Zakaria; *Foreign Affairs*, Nov/Dec 2016. We hope everyone will feel comfortable participating. The group is fairly small so that everyone can see and hear everyone else while seated around a table. Copies of the articles to be discussed will be available without charge on the holds shelf.

UNDER THE SEA. Saturday, June 17, 10:30 am. Gives an overview of life in our oceans, including a variety of live sea animals, such as a clam, a hermit crab, a spider crab, one large and one small sea snail, a seastar or urchin, a clown fish, and even a baby shark! Real marine artifacts are shown, such as whale baleen, a preserved sea turtle, a sea turtle rib, and others.

HARRY POTTER OPEN HOUSE. Thursday, June 22, 3:00 pm. *Attention Witches and Wizards:* celebrate the twentieth anniversary of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* at an open house at Chevy Chase Library from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm! We will have games and activities for all ages. Feel free to come dressed in your house colors or as your favorite character.

SATURDAY FAMILY STORYTIME. Saturday, June 24, 10:30 am. These 25-30 minute programs are designed to delight children of all ages. Filled with diverse stories and activities that promotes and develops language skills and imagination. These programs encourage children to develop a lifelong love of reading and learning, and introduce them to the culture of reading.

RAINFOREST REPTILES ALIVE! Tuesday, June 27, 10:30 am. Discover the dynamic world of tropical rainforests while you meet beautiful jungle animals. Live animals from each layer of the forest will be featured along with stories of survival in this fascinating and endangered environment. Featured animals may include an iguana, boa constrictor, tegu lizard, and other rainforest creatures.

FICTION, MEMOIR & BIOGRAPHY BOOK GROUP. Wednesday, June 28, 2:00 pm. Join the group to discuss *Cleopatra: A Life* by Stacey Schiff. Copies of the book are made available one month before the session, at the Information Desk.

ROUND HOUSE THEATER

The Chevy Chase Land Trust is offering Section 3 residents special tickets for August Wilson's play, *How I Learned What I Learned*, running June 7 through July 2.

From the late August Wilson, one of America's greatest playwrights and creator of award-winning titles like *Fences* and *Jitney*, comes this autobiographical tour de force. *How I Learned...* follows Wilson's personal, provocative, funny and heartfelt story as a struggling writer in Pittsburgh's Hill District and how the neighborhood inspired his cycle of plays about the African American experience. Through a series of funny and moving stories, this play touches on themes of determination, creativity and what it means to be a Black artist in America. The entire performance runs about 95 minutes with no intermission.

Tickets include a complimentary drink voucher. There is a limit of 4 per person and the cost is \$40 per ticket if you use the code WILSON40. Call (240) 644 1100 to purchase your tickets or visit RoundHousetheatre.org to purchase. The theatre is located at 4545 East-West Highway, Bethesda.

HELP NEEDED!

Chevy Chase At Home, our local senior aging-in-place village needs help! Would you like to be part of the dynamic Executive Committee, guiding the direction of Chevy Chase At Home? Do you like numbers? Are you detail oriented? Have you used QuickBooks or Quicken or would you like to learn? If so, then CC@H would like you to apply for the volunteer position of the organization's Treasurer, to start in January 2018. No need to be a member, anyone of any age would be welcome. Please contact the office, (301) 657-3115 or info@chevychaseathome.org, for details.

CHEVY CHASE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY JUNE 10!

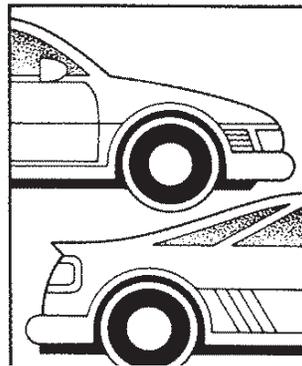
Chevy Chase Elementary School cordially invites you, your family and all of Chevy Chase Section 3 to the block party of the century! CCES has been hard at work all year long putting together our 100 year Birthday Party and Family Reunion and wants all of its neighbors and alumni there to celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime milestone together.

The party is at Chevy Chase Elementary School on Saturday, June 10 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm. The school will be open to visitors. We will have tents celebrating every decade of our success, there will be historic displays, tours, a photo booth, a live DJ, dancing, bounce houses, games, crafts, food trucks and pizza, face painting, live musical acts, local celebrities and so much more!

It will truly be the party of the century and we want you there! If you live within walking distance, please walk to Cheetahfest as parking will be very limited.

Holly & Doug Kammerer, Cheetahfest Co-Chairs

MVA ON WHEELS SCHEDULE CHANGE



Need to get your license renewed? Get new tags for your license plate?

The MVA mobile office comes to Friendship Heights once a month between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. If you need any express services, visit them parked at 4433 South Park Avenue in Chevy Chase (the Village of

Friendship Heights Town Hall). It will be there June 19.

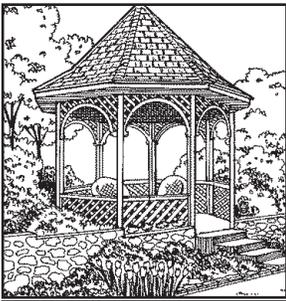
DOGGIE POOP BAGS:

Please pick up after your dogs. We have a dispenser in the Gazebo Park and one outside, one at Shepherd and Delaware Streets, one at Florida and Raymond Streets, one at Georgia Street near Shepherd Street and one at Taylor Street near Brookville Market...no excuses, they are everywhere, please use them!





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SUMMER VACATION IS COMING SOON!

Let your neighbors know if you are going away. Leave some lights on. Lock up cars you're leaving behind. Stop the newspapers and ask neighbors to pick up anything left on your doorstep.